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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence, dated 20 December 2000, in the above-referenced case, the accompanying Petition For Extension of Time allowing the Applicants until 20 March 01 to respond. The Notice to Comply stated that the above-referenced application failed to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821 through 1.825 for not containing a paper copy of the Sequence Listing and because a copy of the Sequence Listing in computer readable form had not been submitted. Accordingly, the following documents accompany this Response:

- 1. Sequence Listing paper copy (2 pages);
- 2. Sequence Listing computer readable form copy (1 diskette);

- 3. Sequence Listing Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) (2 pages);
- 4. Supplemental Preliminary Amendment (3 pages);
- 5. Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) (2pages); and
- 6. Copy of Notice to Comply (1 page).

Applicants submit that this Response and the accompanying documents fully satisfy the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821 through 1.825. If the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office believes otherwise, Applicants respectfully request notice and an opportunity to respond. Please contact Applicants' Attorney with any questions regarding this Response.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional costs necessary for consideration of this Response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0811. A duplicate of this Response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 6 March 01

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